COSMOS 2079-2081 ULLAGE MOTOR

1990-045G

20631

SATELLITE DATA

TYPE: Mission Related Debris

OWNER: CIS

LAUNCH DATE: 19 May 1990

DRY MASS (KG): 55

MAIN BODY: Ellipsoid; 0.6 m diameter by 1 m length

MAJOR APPENDAGES: None ATTITUDE CONTROL: None

ENERGY SOURCES: On-board propellants

EVENT DATA

DATE: ~28 Mar 1999 LOCATION: Unknown TIME: Unknown ASSESSED CAUSE: Propulsion

ALTITUDE: Unknown

POST-EVENT ELEMENTS

EPOCH: 99087.88291821 MEAN ANOMALY: 123.5812

RIGHT ASCENSION: 319.9610 MEAN MOTION: 04.24414150137202

INCLINATION: 64.8090 MEAN MOTION DOT/2: .00000311 ECCENTRICITY: .5789417 MEAN MOTION DOT DOT/6: 00000-0 ARG. OF PERIGEE: 199.4305 BSTAR: .0040281

DEBRIS CLOUD DATA

MAXIMUM ΔP: Unknown MAXIMUM ΔI: Unknown

COMMENTS

This is the 20th event of the Proton Block DM SOZ Ullage Motor class identified to date; it is the ninth associated with a GLONASS mission. This mission was conducted before the engineering defect was identified and passivation measures implemented. In this orbit, debris may be long-lived but hard to track. 76 debris objects were detected.

REFERENCE DOCUMENT

"Abandoned Proton Ullage Motors Continue to Create Debris", <u>The Orbital Debris Quarterly News</u>, NASA JSC, April 1999.